

REMARKS

Claim 1 has been cancelled and claims 2, 3, and 6 have been amended. Upon entry of the above amendments and the following remarks, claims 2-6 will be pending in the present application.

Applicant notes that claims 2-5 have been considered allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Drawing Objections

The drawings have been objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a) wherein it is asserted that they fail to show "every feature of the invention specified in the claim". In particular, it is asserted that the "frameless lens as recited in claims 1 and 2" are not shown. Claim 1 has been cancelled, and claim 2 has been amended such that the frameless lens feature is not recited. As such, the objections to the drawings have been obviated.

Claim Rejection Under 35 U.S.C §112

Claims 1-6 have been rejected "under 35 U.S.C §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement". In particular, it has been asserted, with respect to claims 1 and 2, that the element of "the frameless lens" is "not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention". Claim 1 has been cancelled, and claim 2 has been amended such that the frameless lens feature is not recited. As such, any proper rejection under 35 U.S.C §112, first paragraph, has been obviated.

Claim Rejection Under 35 U.S.C §102

Claims 1 and 6 have been rejected "under 35 U.S.C §102 as being clearly anticipated by Livas (3,762,804)". Claim 1 has been cancelled, and claim 6 has been amended to depend directly on allowable claim 2. As such, any proper rejection under 35 U.S.C §102 has been obviated.

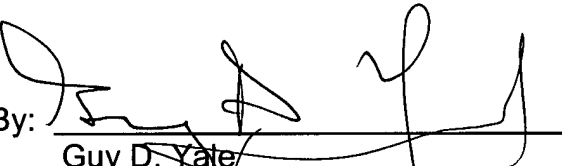
Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 2-5 have been considered allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant has amended claims 2 and 3 to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. In addition, claim 6 has been amended to depend from allowable claim 2. Original claims 4 and 5 depend either directly or indirectly on allowable claim 3. As such, claims 2 -6 should be allowed.

In summary, Applicant has addressed each of the objections and rejections within the present Office Action by the above Remarks. It is believed the Application now stands in condition for allowance and a prompt favorable action thereon is earnestly solicited.

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